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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Ni *et al.*

Appl. No. To be assigned
(Divisional of Appl. No. 08/946,914
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For: **Galectin 8, 9, 10 and 10SV**

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Preliminary Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the following amendments to the specification and claims be entered in advance of substantive examination.

In the Claims:


Please cancel claims 1-8 and 11 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Remarks

After cancellation of claims 1-8 and 11, claims 9-10 and 12-16 will be pending in the application, with claims 9 and 12 being the independent claims.